

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 894

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Representative Rick Womick for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this body should honor those fellow legislators who have performed their duties with the utmost integrity, and whose efforts during their time in office have been dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their district and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Rick Womick of Rockvale is one such distinguished public servant who has served both his constituency and this legislative body with honor and ability; and

WHEREAS, Representative Womick is a highly influential figure in the political, social, and civic lives of Rutherford County, and he has served his constituents in numerous capacities, always working diligently at his elected duties and expending the necessary effort to understand the opposing sides of complex issues; and

WHEREAS, Rick Womick has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to the good people of the 34th House District, who he has served as a member of the 107th, 108th, and 109th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service, Rick Womick has been prominent as a dedicated and well-informed legislator who always votes his conscience; and

WHEREAS, as an active and dynamic participant in the legislative process, Representative Womick has rendered sterling service as a member of the House Consumer and Human Resources Committee, the House Education Administration and Planning Committee, the House Judiciary Committee, the House Consumer and Employee Affairs

Committee, the House Education Administration and Planning Subcommittee, and the House Civil Justice Subcommittee and as vice chair of the House Civil Justice Committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Womick is a member of the Tennessee Energy Task Force, where he has provided solid leadership as chair of the Technology Subcommittee and member of the Security Committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Womick is a family man, businessman, and community leader, and he has proven that citizens can make a difference by being involved in community service and leading by example; and

WHEREAS, a commercial airline pilot who has completed U.S. Air Force Undergraduate Pilot Training, Rick Womick retired after twenty-three years of distinguished service with the United States Air Force, where he served as an F-15 fighter pilot. He has also completed training at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center; and

WHEREAS, born in Dallas, Texas, Representative Womick holds a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Dayton and was employed for a time as a public school teacher; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman who truly appreciates the responsibilities, as well as the privileges, of leadership and citizenship, he donates his time and energies as a member of the Rutherford County Republican Party, Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, National Rifle Association, Air Force Association, Allied Pilots Association, Focus on the Family, Tennessee Right to Life, Tennessee Eagle Forum, Boy Scouts of America, and World TaeKwonDo Federation; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career as a public servant, Rick Womick has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents, bringing to his office an honorable bearing and the traditional values of hard work and common sense; and

WHEREAS, his many civic and professional accomplishments aside, Rick Womick is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Jan, and their four children, Joshua, Kayla, Abby, and Jonah; and

WHEREAS, Representative Rick Womick is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized for his exemplary tenure in this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Representative Rick Womick for his meritorious service to Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the citizens of the 34th House District, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.